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## **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Ms. Jocelyn Boyd Chief Clerk & Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina Synergy Business Park, Saluda Building 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210

Re: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC / Duke Energy Progress, LLC & Piedmont

Natural Gas Company, Inc. - Notice of Allowable Ex Parte

Communication Briefing - November 29, 2017

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-3-260(C)(6)(a)(v), Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, Duke Energy Progress, LLC and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. respectfully request that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina post the attached "Notice of Request for Allowable Ex Parte Communication Briefing" on its website. Lynn J. Good, Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer, and Franklin H. Yoho, Executive Vice President and President Natural Gas Business will be the presenters on behalf of Duke Energy.

We have confirmed that the Commissioners and Commission employees identified in the attached Notice, as well as the Executive Director of the Office of Regulatory Staff are generally available and willing to attend the Briefing as described in the attached Notice.

Yours truly,

Frank R. Ellerbe, III

FRE:tch Enclosure

cc w/enc: Jeffrey M. Nelson, Director of Legal Services (via email)

Nanette Edwards, ORS Deputy Executive Director (via email)

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## NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR ALLOWABLE EX PARTE COMMUNICATION BRIEFING

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-3-260(C)(6)(a)(v) (Cum. Supp. 2014), the Public Service Commission of South Carolina hereby provides the following notice of allowable ex parte communication briefing:

Person or Party Requesting the Briefing: **Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC,** 

**Duke Energy Progress, LLC** 

and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Date and Time of Briefing: November 29, 2017, 10:30 a.m.

Chairman, Swain E. Whitfield Commissioners and Commission Employees

Vice Chairman, Comer H. "Randy" Randall Requested to Attend the Briefing:

Commissioner John E. "Butch" Howard

Commissioner Elliott F. Elam, Jr.

Commissioner Elizabeth B. "Lib" Fleming Commissioner Robert T. "Bob" Bockman

Commissioner G. O'Neal Hamilton

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Chief Clerk/Administrator

Dr. James Spearman, Executive Assistant

Joseph Melchers, General Counsel

**David Butler, Senior Counsel** Randall Dong, Staff Attorney Josh Minges, Staff Attorney David Stark, Staff Attorney

Subject Matter to be Discussed at Briefing: **Piedmont Integration Update**;

**Gas Pipeline Update**;

**Power Forward Carolinas – S.C. Investment**; **Economic Development and Electric Vehicles –** 

Success and Plans for SC; and

**Winter Energy Efficiency Programs** 

Commission Docket Number: Not applicable.

The Public Service Commission of South Carolina will post on its website further information from this allowable ex parte communication briefing within 96 hours of its conclusion.